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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicant : Dale B. Schenk  
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**AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.312**

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowance mailed December 3, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.